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Best and Most Popular Dahlias

Prof. J. B. S. Norton, undoubtedly the greatest authority we have today on the dahlia, has compiled the following list after a vote given by about fifty growers scattered throughout the United States. They are given in the order of the number of votes received.

- No. 1 Jersey's Beauty.
- 2 Mrs. I. D. V. Warner.
- 3 Jane Cowl.
- 4 Edna Ferber.
- 5 Marmion.
- 6 Ellinor Vanderveer.
- 7 Ambassador.
- 8 Sagamore.
- 9 Jersey's Beacon.
- 10 Trentonian.
- 11 Mariposa.
- 12 Mrs. Eleanor Martin
- 13 Mrs. Carl Salbach.
- 14 Ft. Monmouth.
- 15 Margaret Woodrow Wilson.
- 16 Champagne.
- 17 Judge Marean.
- 18 Queen of the Garden Beautiful.
- 19 World's Best White.
- 20 Amun Ra.
- 21 Primula Rex.
- 22 El Dorado.
- 23 Insulinde.
- 24 Barbara Redfern.
- 25 Ft. Washington.

While some may disagree with him in regard to this list, it shows that the experts, who have been growing dahlias for many years, favor those varieties that do well in all parts of the country.

AMATEURS, in selecting varieties for their gardens, will do well to follow such a list. Many reasonably priced varieties will be found here.

The next most popular varieties were: Little Jewell, Daddy Butler, Elite Glory, Papillon, Rookwood, Rosa Nell, Shudow's Lavender, The Emperor and Alice Whittier.

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Dahlias are without doubt one of the finest flowers that can be grown in the garden. They come in bloom along the middle of the summer and last until a killing frost. They do not want rich ground but do require considerable cultivation and thorough watering once a week. If soil is made too rich, you will get a great overgrown bush with small flowers and not many of them.

PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS with each order.

The numbers at the left of the page are the averaged ratings of about forty growers compiled by Prof. J. B. S. Norton of Maryland University Agricultural College and gives the Amateur the most reliable guide in selecting varieties that they could have. Any variety that averages high must be good. Anything above 80 is a very good variety.

Tubers sent out are guaranteed true to name, free from disease, to have a live eye and be in good growing condition. I cannot be held responsible, if tubers are allowed to dry out before planting. Any tubers proving not satisfactory will be replaced or money will be refunded upon return of tubers sent.

Explanation of Abbreviations:

Dec.—Decorative.
Cac.—Cactus.
Sh.—Show.
H. C.—Hybrid Cactus.
Pom.—Pompom.
S.—Single.
Peo.—Peony.
Dup.—Duplex.
Col.—Collarette.

New and Rare Varieties

ADDA PATTERSON (Kemp) H. C. Beautiful pure white flowers eight to nine inches in diameter. Tall plants, fine long, strong stems. Each \$2.50.

ALTHA HALL CRYSTAL (Benedict) Dec. Large white on good stems that withstands stunt and is the best keeping white I have Yet seen. Each \$2.00, 3 for \$4.00.

AMARILLO GRANDE (Broomall) Hy-Dec. Light yellow. Petals are very broad. Flowers are enormous and produced in abundance. Each \$2.50, 3 for \$6.50.

BARBARA REDFERN (Redfern) Dec. This was one of the best dahlias from California in 1927. Color a delightful blend of old rose and old gold with a light lavender suffusion. Immense size and great depth. Large blooms are held erect on stiff stems. Each \$3.50, 3 for \$9.50.

BUDDY BENEDICT (Benedict) Dec. A large red on good stems. Does not burn in the sun as so many reds do. Each \$5.00, 3 for \$12.00.

CASPER G. WARE (Bowen) Dec. Clear, silvery pink. Flowers are large, usually 8 to 10 inches across, regularly formed and produced profusely on strong stems. Very fine. Each \$2.00, 3 for \$5.00.

CHEMAR'S MASTERPIECE (Chemar Gardens) H. C. A seedling of Mrs. I. D. V. Warner and its counterpart in every way except that Masterpiece is an incurved English cactus producing 10 inch flowers in abundance. Each \$6.50, 3 for \$18.00.

CHEMAR'S PURITY (Marsh) Dec. A most perfect white seedling from Jersey's Beauty which it resembles in everything but color. When the flowers first open they show a slight trace of ivory near the center which gradually changes to a pure white at maturity. The finest white I have yet seen. Each \$6.50, 3 for \$18.00.

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CITY OF TRENTON (F. & M.) Dec. A glorious, thrifty growing plant with giant but graceful blooms on top of long cane, stiff stems, high above the foliage. A glowing tangerine or orange-cadmium with peach and apricot shadings; reverse crushed strawberry red, which shows on the gracefully curved petals giving it a two toned effect. Each \$7.00, 3 for \$20.00.

DR. A. L. HOUSE (Mather) Dec. Wonderful red on long rigid stems. Last year this proved to be one of the best reds in my garden. Each \$3.00, 3 for \$8.00.

EDNA FERBER (F. & M.) H. C. An exhibition dahlia with an exceptionally fine stiff stem. Color is a glistening coral, shading to old gold at base of petals. One of the first flowers to attract attention both in the field and on the exhibition table on account of its extreme beauty and size. Each \$5.00, 3 for \$14.00.

FARNCOT (Davis-Fraser). Cac. This variety always attracts attention whenever grown or shown. The color is aster purple, tipped white. Flowers of perfect form carried on top of stiff stems. Each \$2.00, 3 for \$5.00.

FT. MONMOUTH (Kemp) H. C. The predominating color of this dahlia is a rich crimson maroon with a hue of bluish violet at tips of petals. The flowers are well formed, full centered, of true hybrid cactus type and immense size. Free bloomer. Each \$10.00, 3 for \$27.00.

FORT WASHINGTON (Reindfleisch) Dec. A strong growing plant, with immense flowers of very deep velvety maroon. A sensational flower wherever grown or exhibited. Each \$3.50.

HARRY MAYER (Seltsam) Dec. Silver lavender with reverse lavender. Certif. of Merit A. D. S. 1927. Each \$6.50, 3 for \$18.00.

HELEN SPARKS (Benedict) Dec. A large dark maroon with long stems. This is darker than Black Jack and a much better flower. The bush is about four feet tall and heavy. Flowers stand out well above foliage. Each \$10.00, 3 for \$27.00.

JANE COWL (Downs). Dec. This massive decorative was the sensation of the last two New York Shows. It is a large deep flower with colorings of warm buff and old gold blending to a bright salmon at the perfect center. Each \$10.00, 3 for \$27.00.

JERSEY'S GLORY (Waite) Dec. A large yellow Jersey's Beauty. Each \$10.00.

JERSEY'S OLYMPUS (Waite), Dec. Color is a combination of Sofrano, Venetian and flesh pink, suffused gold when fully opened. Good stems and habit of growth. Each \$5.00, 3 for \$14.00.

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KEMP'S VIOLET WONDER (Kemp) Dec. The best violet colored dahlia to date. The predominating color is a rich Naphthaline Violet with underlying tone of royal purple, lightening to bluish violet at tips of petals, with deep lavender reverse. Sensation at New York Show. Each \$10.00, 3 for \$27.00.

LA RODA (Broomall) H. C. Color is a soft pure pink. A large, deep, heavy petalled dahlia with a peculiar formation, each petal turning slightly at an angle, giving the flower as a whole a distinctive wheel effect. One of the outstanding varieties. Each \$10.00, 3 for \$27.00.

LAVENDULA (Broomall) Dec. One of the largest lavender dahlias on the market. The color is a pleasing shade of lavender. Immense blooms are held erect on good stiff stems. Each \$5.00, 3 for \$14.00.

LILLIAN BALDWIN (Danker) Dec. An exceptionally good keeping variety of a pink shade. Best keeping flower at New York Show for two years. Each \$2.50, 3 for \$6.50.

MANY FIRES (Norton) Duplex. Floriferous red. Fine for garden or border. A border around my drive this last year gave a prettier effect than scarlet sage. Each 35c, 3 for \$1.00.

MARMION (Tyler) Dec. Large golden yellow suffused bronze. Each \$3.50, 3 for \$9.00.

MARGARET WOODROW WILSON (F. & M.) Dec. Opalescent pink, with face of petals creamy white. Each \$2.50, 3 for \$6.50.

MISS DILLON (Mather) Dec. Large blush flower on good stem. Each \$3.00, 3 for \$7.00.

MME. C. H. GOOD (Nagle) H. C. Wonderful chrysanthemum formed flower of maroon and silver. Each \$5.00, 3 for \$12.00.

MRS. S. T. MATHER (Mather) Dec. A better George Walters. Each \$4.00, 3 for \$10.00.

MY MARYLAND (Downs) H. C. A graceful flower of right bright pink, with each petal tipped with ivory both at the center and on the outside of the flower. The flowers are large and on good stems. Each \$9.00, 3 for \$25.00.

NAGLE'S ROEM H. C. Yellow with salmon and chamois. An outstanding variety at the New York Show for the last three year. Each \$2.00, 3 for \$5.00.

OYSTER BAY BEAUTY (Marsh) Dec. This rich, dark, velvety-red color will attract your attention the minute you get your eye on it. The plant is covered with blooms all season; the large flower is placed on the end of good stems. Each \$3.00, 3 for \$8.00.

PRIMULA REX (Broomall) Dec. This is a spectacular dahlia in every respect due to its clear primrose color, fine form and distinctive appearance. This massive dahlia has made good in every garden. Each \$2.00, 3 for \$5.40.

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QUEEN OF THE GARDEN BEAUTIFUL (Burns) Dec. It is an immense yellow blossom, held erect on strong erect stems. Each \$3.50, 3 for \$9.50.

ROBERT SCOTT (Brock) Dec. Apricot yellow. Large bold flower on excellent stem, Each \$2.50, 3 for \$6.75.

SEC'Y WORK (Mather) Dec. A fine autumn toned dahlia. Each \$3.00, 3 for \$7.50.

SHIRLEY EILEEN SHATTUCK (Shattuck) Dec. Best lavender. Each \$5.00, 3 for \$14.00.

SIGNOR (Nagle) H. C. An immense red flower measuring ten inches across and seven inches through. Long shaggy petals that stand out giving an unusual effect. Each \$2.00, 3 for \$5.00.

SILVERADO (Seal) Cac. White with lavender shadings at center. Each \$4.00, 3 for \$11.00.

SOLE MIO (Lohrman) H. C. Wonderful yellow. Each \$3.00, 3 for \$7.50.

WALDHEIM SUNSHINE (Peacock) Dec. One of the outstanding dahlias this year. Color is a true deep yellow, with darker reflex. There is a rich golden suffusion around the beautiful high center. The form is good, with long, wavy, twisted and whirled petals, which relieve the immense size from stiffness. Easily grows twelve inch blooms on good stems. Each \$15.00.

WATCHUNG SUNRISE (Smith) Dec. Golden amber with pink reverse. Each \$5.00, 3 for \$14.00.

YELLOW BEAUTY (Wood) Dec. This dahlia, while primarily a commercial dahlia, can be grown to exhibition size, some blooms going to nine across and from four to five inches in depth. It is predicted that this splendid new yellow will be in the yellow class, what "Jersey's Beauty" is in the pink. Each \$15.00.

Other Good Varieties

If interested in ten of a variety—

Send for special list.

90 **AIMEE** (Boston) Pom. A wonderful small bronze. Smallest in show. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.00.

ALETA (Mather) Dec. Blush on good stem, Each \$3.00, 3 for \$6.00.

ALEX WALDIE (Broomall) Dec. Cream and salmon pink. Each 75c, 3 for \$1.50.

ALEXANDER POPE (Montrose) H. C. A royal rich red. Each \$3.00, 3 for \$8.00.

ALICE WHITTIER (Reed) H. C. Large sulphur yellow. Each \$2.50, 3 for \$6.50.

87 **AMBER GLOW** (Boston) Cactus. Yellow and pale orange. Each \$1.00, 3 for \$2.50.

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- 90 **AMBASSADOR** (Bromall) Cac. Large yellow and pink. Finest cactus. Each \$1.00, 3 for \$2.50.
- 89 **ANNA REHORST** (Boston) Show. Wonderful large, dark purple. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.25.
ARIEL Pom. Orange buff. Each 35c, 3 for 70c.
ASHES OF ROSES (Benedict) Single. Name describes color. Each 75c, 3 for \$1.75.
- 84 **ATTRACTION** (Hornsveld) H. C. Sturdy flower of lilac rose color. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.20.
- 89 **BALLET GIRL** (Boston) Cac. Various combinations of orange and white. Each 75c, 3 for \$1.50.
- 91 **BELLE OF SPRINGFIELD** Pom. Small brick red, 25c.
- 89 **BEN WILSON** (Murphy) Dec. Red or orange with gold tips. Each \$1.00, 3 for \$2.25.
- 89 **BLACK DIAMOND** (Salbach) Show. Dark maroon. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.25.
- 85 **BONNIE BRAE** (Broomall) Dec. Cream shaded pink. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.20.
- 87 **BOB PLEUSE** (Superior) Dec. Dark red tipped white. Each 75c, 3 for \$2.00.
BON RAY (Murphy) Dec. Wonderful large red, Each \$1.50, 3 for \$4.00.
BOUTONNAIRE (Nagel) Miniature decorative scarlet. Makes a very fine bedder. Each \$1.00, 3 for \$2.50.
- 84 **CALIF. BEAUTY** (Broomall) H. C. A fine copper hue. Very fine. Each 75c, 3 for \$1.50.
- 87 **CALIF. SUPERBA** (Boston) Dec. Light pink, Each \$1.00, 3 for \$2.00.
- 87 **CAMILLE FRACHON** (Rogain) Peo-Dec. Red, Each 40c, 3 for 90c.
- 88 **CANTEEN** (Vincent) Dec. Lizarene Pink. Cert. of Merit. Fine. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.00.
- 87 **CARMENCITA** (Boston) Dec. Yellow striped red. Each 75c, 3 for \$1.75.
CATHERINE WILCOX Dec. Suffused, rosy lavender. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.00.
- 90 **CHAMPAGNE** (Boston) Dec. Large dull golden champagne. Each \$1.50, 3 for \$4.00.
- 89 **CHARLES H. STRATTON** (Stratton) Dec. Gold shaded old rose on stiff, upright stems. Each \$1.00, 3 for \$2.50.
- 86 **CIGARETTE** (Boston) H. C. White edged orange. The most sought after in my garden this past year. Each \$1.00, 3 for \$2.50.
COPPER KING (Harding-Marean) Copper and yellow with light red reverse. Each \$2.00, 3 for \$5.00.
- 89 **COURRONNE D'OR** (Ballego) Dec. Large orange yellow. Each \$1.50, 3 for \$4.00.
CRAWLEY STAR, Star. Bright rose, darker in center. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.25.

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- 88 **DADDY BUTLER** (Boston) H. C. Flower rose with reverse silver. Fine. Each 75c, 3 for \$1.75.
- 83 **DAHLIADEL CENTURY** (Maytrott) Single. Large white. Each 25c, 3 for 50c.
- 83 **DAKOTA** (Marean) Dec. Large red of excellent substance. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.00.
- 84 **DELICE** (Charmet) Dec. Bright pink. Fine cut flower. Each 25c, 3 for 50c.
- DIRECTOR GIRARD**, Col. Old rose with white collar. Each 35c, 3 for 75c.
- DESSELHUYS**, H. C. (Ballego) Dec. Rose pink and white. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.00.
- DR. MARSHALL A. HOWE** Dec. A magnificent large pink, with edge of petals a shade darker. Each \$1.00, 3 for \$2.50.
- 81 **DR. TEVIS** (Pelicano) Dec. Salmon rose, reverse old gold. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.00.
- 86 **EARLE WILLIAMS** (Doolittle) Dec. Red tipped white. Best of type. Each \$1.00, 3 for \$2.50.
- 88 **EL DORADO** (Boston) Dec. Old gold. Certif. of Merit. Many prizes. Each \$1.00, 3 for \$2.50.
- 87 **ELITE GLORY** (Kennedy) Dec. A fine red. Really a giant in bloom and foliage and a great beauty as well. Each \$3.50.
- 88 **ELSIE DANIELS** (M. and S.) Dec. A fine lavender, center white. Each \$2.00, 3 for \$5.00.
- 88 **ELLINOR VANDERVEER** (Seal) Dec. Large rose pink, that grows on two foot stems, well above the foliage. Each \$1.50, 3 for \$4.00.
- EMMA MARIE** (Maytrott) H. C. White with center pink. Each \$1.00, 3 for \$2.50.
- EMPEROR** (Marean) Dec. Dark purple to maroon. Each 75c, 3 for \$2.00.
- 86 **EMPRESS EUGENIE** (Vavra) Dec. Rich lavender. Certificate of Merit. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.00.
- 89 **ESTHER HUNT** (Boston) H. C. Large orange, Each 75c, 3 for \$2.00.
- 87 **ESTHER R. HOLMES** (Greinberg) H. C. Rose lilac. Each 75c, 3 for \$2.00.
- 87 **E. T. BEDFORD** (Marean) Dec. A wonderful large purple. Each 75c, 3 for \$1.50.
- FIRELIGHT** (Marean) Dec. Base yellow-tipped red. Each \$1.00, 3 for \$2.50.
- 83 **FLAMINGO** (Ansorge) Dec. Pink. A very fine cut flower variety. Each 25c, 3 for 60c.
- 88 **FLORENCE FINGER** (Finger) Dec. Large dark rose. Excellent variety. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.00.
- 85 **FRANCIS LOBDELL** (Waite) H. C. Pale amaranth pink. Certificate of Merit. Each \$1.00, 3 for \$2.50.
- FRANK GALSWORTHY** Star. Pink. Each 25c.
- FRANKFORT** Dec. Autumn shades. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.00.

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- 85 **F. W. FELLOWS** (Stredwick) Cac. Orange and scarlet. Very fine. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.00.
- 89 **GEANT DE LYON** (Riviere) Col. Maroon with collar white. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.25.
- GENERAL HAIG** (Kittlewell) Best scarlet show. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.25.
- 85 **GEORGE WALTERS** (Carter) H. C. Salmon pink and yellow. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.00.
- 88 **GIANT RUBY** (Greinberg) Dec. Scarlet. Ctf. of Merit. Each \$1.00, 3 for \$2.50.
- GIANTESS** (Marean) Dec. A giant of rich solid amber. Each \$1.00, 3 for \$2.50.
- 88 **GLADYS BATES** (Boston) Cac. Tan with reverse rose. Each 60c, 3 for \$1.35.
- 86 **GLADYS SHERWOOD** (Broomall) H. C. Large white and wide petals. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.25.
- 88 **GOLD METAL IMPROVED** (1914) Show. Yellow edged orange. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.00.
- 86 **GORGEOUS** (Boston) Peo. Yellow and scarlet. About the finest peony. Each \$1.00, 3 for \$2.50.
- 84 **GRENADIER** (Boston) Dec. Purple and silver. Fine. Rated low. Each \$1.50, 3 for \$4.00.
- 88 **HALVELLA** (McWhirter) Dec. Rose pink. A fine variety. Each \$1.00, 3 for \$2.50.
- HELEN HOLLIS** (Show) Deep scarlet on long stiff stem. Each 35c, 3 for 75c.
- HELEN KELLER** Peo-Dup. Mauve pink. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.00.
- 87 **HENRY F. MICHELL** (Root) Dec. A large well built scarlet. Each \$1.00, 3 for \$2.25.
- HIS MAJESTY** (Boston) Dec. Immense red scarlet. Each \$1.00, 3 for \$2.50.
- 84 **HOLLYWOOD** (Vincent) H. C. Rose. Certificate of Merit. Each \$1.00, 3 for \$2.50.
- 87 **INSULINDE** (Kriest) Dec. Yellowish brown. Loose petaled. Each 75c, 3 for \$1.75.
- 90 **ISLAM PATROL** (Davies) Dec. Scarlet tipped yellow. Fine. Each \$1.00, 3 for \$2.75.
- 91 **ISMALIA** (Davies) H. C. A large velvety maroon. Each 75c, 3 for \$1.50.
- 87 **JEAN CHAZOT** (Cayeux) H. C. Red and yellow. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.25.
- 85 **JEAN KERR** (Burpee) Dec.-Show. Short petaled white. Each 35c, 3 for 75c.
- JERSEY'S BEACON** (Waite) Chinese scarlet with tan reverse. Each \$1.50, 3 for \$3.50.
- 91 **JERSEY'S BEAUTY** (Waite) Dec. Spinel pink. Certificate of Merit. Best dahlia grown. Each 75c, 3 for \$1.75.
- 88 **JERSEY'S JEWELL** (Waite) Dec. Mallow pink. Each \$1.50, 3 for \$4.00.
- JERSEY'S MAMMOTH** (Waite) H. C. A rich golden mahogany. Each \$2.00, 3 for \$5.50.

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- 87 **JERSEY'S RADIANT** (Waite) H. C. Orange. A wonderful dahlia. Each \$1.50, 3 for \$3.75.
- 89 **JERSEY'S SOVEREIGN** (Waite) Dec. Salmon orange. Fine. Each \$1.00, 3 for \$2.50.
- 85 **JOHN LEWIS CHILD** (Boston) Dec. Variegated, red, orange and white. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.00.
- 89 **JUDGE MAREAN** (Marean) Dec. Large orange and red. Very fine. Each 75c, 3 for \$1.80.
JUNIOR Dec. Lavender. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.00.
- 87 **J. W. DAVIES** (Boston) Dec. Cerise. A very fine variety. Each \$1.00, 3 for \$2.50.
- 85 **KING ALBERT** (Ballego) Dec.—Peo. A fine loose petalled purple. Each 35c, 3 for 75c.
- 87 **KITTIE DUNLAP** (Boston) Dec. Rose. Many prizes. Each 75c, 3 for \$2.00.
KOHINOOR (Boston) H. C. Dark red, large and deep. Each \$1.00, 3 for \$2.50.
LADY BOUNTIFUL Dec. Autumn shades with good stems. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.00.
- 84 **LA FAVORITA** (Lohrman) H. C. Reddish salmon. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.00.
- 84 **LENORE** (Vincent) Dec. Yellow. Good cut flower. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.00.
LITTLE JEWELL A miniature decorative of bright pink. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.25.
LITTLE MAY (1913) Pom. Yellow. Each 25c, 3 for 60c.
- 83 **MABEL B. TAFT** (Boston) Dec. Yellow and pinkish apricot. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.00.
- 89 **MABEL THATCHER** (Marean) Dec. Pale yellow. A fine flower but sometimes the stem is weak. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.00.
- 90 **MACGREGOR** (Mastick) H. C. Nopal red to carmine. Fine. Each 75c, 3 for \$2.00.
MAE GREFE (Peacock) H. C. Large blush pink on wonderful stems. Each 75c, 3 for \$2.00.
- 89 **MANDALAY** (Jost) Yellow and coppery bronze. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.00.
MARC AURORE (French) Dec. Sulphur shading lemon at center. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.00.
- 87 **MARGARET MASSON** (F. and M.) Dec. Large rose pink. Each \$1.50, 3 for \$4.00.
MARIE HAUTMAN Dec. Luminous glowing salmon on wonderful stem. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.00.
- 90 **MARIPOSA** (Boston) H. C. Lavender and white. Many prizes. Each \$1.50, 3 for \$4.00.
- 87 **MAUDE ADAMS** (Alexander) Show. Blush tipped rose pink. Each 35c, 3 for 75c.
- 85 **MAURICE RIVOIRE** (Rivoire) Col. Maroon collar white. Each 25c, 3 for 60c.
- 84 **MEPHISTOPHELES** (Marean) H. C. Dec. Dark red tipped yellow. Each \$1.00, 3 for \$2.50.

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- 89 **MERRICK** (Albricht) Hy.—Dec. Maroon and purplish red. Each \$1.00, 3 for \$2.00.
- 91 **M. H. de YOUNG** (Boston) Dec. Old gold. Certificate of Merit. Each \$1.50, 3 for \$4.00.
MILLIONAIRE (Stillman) Dec. Delicate lavender pink. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.00.
- 85 **MR. CROWLEY** (Broomall) Dec. Cream and salmon pink. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.00.
- 86 **MRS. CARL SALBACH** (Salbach) Dec. Mallow pink on great stems. Each 75c, 3 for \$2.00.
- 86 **MRS. C. D. ANDERSON** (Slocombe) H—Show. Purplish crimson. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.00.
- 90 **MRS. ELEANOR MARTIN** (Pelicano) Dec. Mulberry and gold. Each \$1.50, 3 for \$4.00.
- 81 **MRS. EDNA SPENCER** (Spencer) Cac. Lavender pink. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.25.
- 91 **MRS. I. D. V. WARNER** (Marean) Dec. Light rosalind purple. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.25.
- 88 **MRS. JOHN T. SCHEEPERS** (Marean) Dec. Yellow and pink. Each \$1.00, 3 for \$2.50.
- 88 **MRS. NAT SLOCOMBE** (Slocombe) Dec. Deep yellow. Each 75c, 3 for \$1.50.
- 88 **MRS. RICHARD LOHRMAN** (Lohrman) H. C. Golden yellow. Each 75c, 3 for \$1.80.
- 84 **MRS. W. E. ESTES** (Estes) Dec. White. Very fine. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.00.
- 87 **MYRA VALENTINE** (Mills) Dec. Golden bronze. Excellent. Each \$1.00, 3 for \$2.50.
- 88 **NEWPORT WONDER** Single. Rose. Best single, Each \$1.00, 3 for \$2.50.
NICHU (Boston) H. C. Yellow. A better Yellow King. Each \$1.50, 3 for \$4.00.
NOBILIS Dec. A sport of Earle Williams. Orange and white. Each 75c, 3 for \$2.00.
ORANGE BEAUTY (Superior) Peo. Orange, Each 75c, 3 for \$1.50.
ORIOLE (Burns) Peo. Orange, red and yellow. Each 75c, 3 for \$1.50.
OREGON BEAUTY (Gill) Dec. Ball shaped. Intense oriental red. Each 25c, 3 for 50c.
- 89 **PAPILLON** (Boston) H. C. Salmon pink and ter George Walters. Each \$1.00, 3 for \$2.50.
PARADISE (Boston) H. C. Salmon pink and old rose. Each 75c, 3 for \$1.50.
- 86 **PATRICK O'MARA** (Vincent) Dec. Orange buff tinged rose. Each 40c, 3 for \$1.00.
PERLE ANVERSOISE Star. White edged pink, Each 35c, 3 for 75c.
- 83 **PIERROT** (Stredwick) Cac. Amber tipped white, Each 50c, 3 for \$1.00.
- 84 **PINK PERFECTION** (Kriest) Peo.-Dec. Yellowish pink, 75c.
- 85 **POLAR BEAR** (Howard and Smith) Dec. White. Very fine. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.00.

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Clumps will be kept for you until spring so that you will not suffer risk of their not keeping for you. CASH must accompany order at these prices and order must be in before JANUARY FIRST, 1929. After that date price of single tubers will be one-half of that asked for clumps.

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32	Altha Hall Crystal	6.00
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9	Firelight	3.00
222	Flamingo50
484	Florence Finger	1.00
9	Frances Lobdell	2.00
8	Frankfort	1.00
9	F. W. Fellows	1.00
5	Geant de Lyon	1.50
9	George Walters	1.00
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4	Giantless	3.00
7	Gladys Bates	1.50
11	Gladys Sherwood	1.50
8	Gold Medal	1.00
4	Gorgeous	2.00
5	Grenadier	3.50
5	Halvella	2.00
6	Helen Hollis75
6	Helen Keller	1.00
3	Henry F. Michell	2.00
17	Hollywood	2.00
9	Insulinde	1.25
11	Ismalia	1.50
67	Jean Chazot	1.50
670	Jean Kerr75
174	Jersey's Beauty	2.00
2	Jersey's Jewell	4.00
18	Jersey's Beacon	4.00
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6	Jersey's Radiant	2.00
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7	Mabel Thatcher	1.50
5	MacGregor	2.00

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8	Mme. C. H. Good	10.00
2	Mandalay	1.00
50	Many Fires75
9	Marc Aurore	1.00
9	Marie Hautman	1.00
6	L. Kramer Peacock	1.00
6	Maurice Rivoire50
10	Mephistopheles	2.00
6	Merrick	2.00
13	M. H. De Young	4.00
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5	Mrs. Eleanor Martin	3.00
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5	Mrs. R. Lohrman	1.50
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50	Nagel's Roem	5.00
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5	Nobilis	2.00
5	Orange Beauty	1.50
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12	Papillon	2.00
14	Paradise	2.00
582	Patrick O'Mara75
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16	Rose Fallon	6.00
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4	Secretary Work	7.00
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4	Siskiyou	3.00
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45	Snowdrift	1.50
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3	Sorosis Souvenir	1.50
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2	Susan G. Tevis	4.00
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10	Trentonian	3.00
171	Venus	1.50
57	Winfield Slocombe	2.00
5	Wizard of Oz	2.00
5	World's Best White	3.00
12	Yellow Colosse	1.00
10	Ysleta	2.00
4	Lady Bountiful	1.00
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2	Sulphuria	1.00
5	Swift	1.00

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	<i>Price per 100</i>	
	<i>No. 1</i>	<i>No. 2</i>
Albania	\$4.00	\$3.50
Alice Tiplady	3.50	3.00
Augusta	2.00	1.50
E. J. Shaylor	4.00	3.50
Evelyn Kirtland	4.00	3.50
Golden Measure	5.00	4.00
Halley	3.00	2.50
Le Marshal Foch	3.00	2.50
Crimson Glow	4.00	3.50
Los Angeles	7.00	6.00
Mrs. Pendleton	4.00	3.50
Souvenir	4.00	3.50
Topaz	3.00	2.00
Yellow Treasure	4.00	3.00
Elora	4.00	3.50
Giant Nymph	5.00	4.00
Lucette	4.00	3.50
Opalescent	7.00	6.00
Scarlet Princeps	6.00	5.00
Mixture	2.50	2.00

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- POLAR SNOW** (Harding) Dec. Large pure white. Each \$1.00, 3 for \$2.00.
- 88 **POP STEWART** (F. and M.) Dec. Rose to lilac pink. Each \$1.50, 3 for \$4.00.
- 84 **PRIDE OF CALIFORNIA** (Lohrman) Dec. Dark crimson. Each 25c, 3 for 60c.
PRIDE OF CONN. (Alling) Dec. Pink, \$1.00.
RADIO (Sampson) Dec. Red and yellow on good stems. Each \$1.25, 3 for \$3.25.
- 86 **REGENT** (Boston) Cac. Mauve pink. Good keeper as cut. Each 75c, 3 for \$2.00.
- 89 **ROBERT TREAT** (Mueller) Dec. American beauty rose. Each \$1.00, 3 for \$2.50.
ROLLO BOY H. C. Delicate amber shading to old gold. Each \$1.50, 3 for \$4.00.
ROMAN EAGLE (F. & M.) Dec. Brilliant burnished copper. Each \$1.00, 3 for \$2.70.
- 87 **ROOKWOOD** (Boston) Dec. Cerise rose. One of the finest. Each \$1.00, 3 for \$2.50.
ROSA NELL (Broomall) Dec. Rose on fine stems. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.00.
ROSE FALLON (Marean) Dec. Old gold on fine stems. A-1 stock. Each \$2.50, 3 for \$6.50.
- 88 **RUTH VAN FLEET** (Stillman) H. C. Yellow, Each 50c, 3 for \$1.25.
- 90 **SAGAMORE** (Kirby) Dec. Lemon yellow to flesh ochre. Each \$1.00, 3 for \$2.50.
- 88 **SANHICAN'S GEM** (F. and M.) Dec. Old rose and amber. Each \$2.00, 3 for \$5.00.
SANHICAN'S MAGNATE (F & M.) Dec. Pale amaranth pink, reverse claret. Large flowers held high above foliage. Each \$2.50, 3 for \$6.50.
SAN MATEO (Boston) Dec. Yellow streaked scarlet. Each 75c, 3 for \$1.75.
- 90 **SAN TOY** (Turner) Pom. White edged rose, Each 35c, 3 for 75c.
SCARLET CENTURY Single. Brilliant scarlet with golden disc. Each 25c, 3 for 50c.
- 87 **SENIORITA** (Lohrman) Dec. Dark crimson. Each \$1.00, 3 for \$2.50.
- 88 **SHIRLEY BROWN** (McWhirter) H. C. Apricot. An excellent dahlia, \$1.00.
- 86 **SISKIYOU** (Broomall) H. C. Tinged mauve. A novelty Each \$2.00, 3 for \$5.00.
- 84 **SNOWCLAD** (1889) Pom. White, 25c.
- 87 **SNOWDRIFT** (Broomall) Dec. One of the largest whites. Each 60c, 3 for \$1.50.
SOROSIS SOUVENIR Yellow on good stem, Each 75c, 3 for \$1.50.
ST. FRANCIS (Boston) Dec. Deep cream tinged lilac. Each \$1.00, 3 for \$2.50.
SULPHURIA Dec. A large lemon yellow on good stems. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.00.

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- 87 **SUSAN G. TEVIS** (Boston) Lilac on good stems. Each \$1.50, 3 for \$4.00.
SWIFT Hy-Show. A large yellow show. Each 25c, 3 for 50c.
- 87 **SYLVIA DICKY** (Finger) Fine light pink for exhibition or commercial. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.00.
T. A. LEONARD Dec. Deep cerise. Very fine. Each 75c, 3 for \$2.00.
- 89 **TALISMAN** (Boston) H. C. Red tipped yellow. Each 75c, 3 for \$1.75.
- 87 **TANGO CENTURY** (Maytrott) Sin. Cadmium yellow shaded orange. Each 25c, 3 for 50c.
TOMMY ATKINS (Boston) Dec. A glowing scarlet that attracts attention at once. Each \$1.00, 3 for \$2.50.
- 88 **TRENTONIAN** (F. and M.) Dec. Bronze and gold. Each \$1.00, 3 for \$2.50.
TWENTIETH CENTURY Single. Intense rosy crimson. White edges. Each 25c, 3 for 50c.
- 84 **UNCLE SAM** (M. and S.) Peo.-Dec. Pale orange tinged coral red. Each \$1.00.
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- 86 **VENUS** (Marean) Dec. White and lavender. Best cut flower. Each 35c, 3 for 75c.
WHITE CENTURY Sin. White. Each 25c, 3 for 50c.
- 89 **WINFIELD SLOCOMBE** (Slocombe) Dec. Mustard yellow. Certificate of Merit. Each \$1.00, 3 for \$2.50.
- 87 **WIZARD OF OZ** (Doolittle) Dec. Amber pink. Very large. Each \$1.00, 3 for \$2.50.
- 89 **WORLD'S BEST WHITE** (Murphy) Dec. White. Many prizes. Each \$1.50.
- 85 **W. W. RAWSON** (Johnson) Show. White edged lavender. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.25.
YELLOW COLOSSE Hy-Show. Yellow. Each, 35c, 3 for 75c.
YSLETA Dec. Autumn shades. Each 50c, 3 for \$1.00.

Gladioli

Gladioli properly planted can be made to bloom from early in July until freezing, if planted at intervals of a week to ten days from the time that the ground can be worked until the middle of July. They should be planted in rows about six inches apart in the rows or in beds six inches apart each way.

The numbers at the left of the column are the ratings given by Mr. Gersdorf, who is rated one of the foremost authorities in the world on glads. 100 is perfect on this scale.

The prices quoted are for large sized bulbs sure to bloom the first year.

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ALBANIA (Kemp) One of the best whites. Three, 20c; doz., 70c; 100, \$3.00.

95 **ALICE TIPLADY** (Kunderd) Fine prim. Orange saffron. Three, 12c; doz., 40c; 100, \$2.00.

81 **AUGUSTA** Fine florist's white, three, 12c; doz., 40c.

BARON J. HULOT (Lemoine) Best violet blue. Three, 20c; doz., 60c; 100, \$3.50.

BUTTERBOY (Kunderd) Rich yellow early prim. Three, 20c; doz., 65c; 100, \$3.00.

93 **BYRON L. SMITH** (Kunderd) Fine lavender pink. Three, 20c; doz., 75c.

90 **CARMEN SYLVA** (Decorah) Very fine white. Three, 20c; doz., 60c; 100, \$3.00.

96 **CRIMSON GLOW** (Betscher) Brilliant crimson. Three, 15c; doz., 50c; 100, \$2.75.

97 **DR. F. E. BENNETT** (Diener) Peach red and scarlet. Each, 20c; doz., \$2.00.

DR. VAN FLEET (Kunderd) Early ruffled pink. Three, 15c; doz., 50c; 100, \$3.00.

93 **E. J. SHAYLOR** (Kunderd) Ruffled rose pink. Fine. Three, 15c; doz., 50c; 100, \$2.75.

98 **ELORA** (Burbank) White flushed pink. Very fine. Three, 15c; doz., 50c; 100, \$2.75.

95 **EVELYN KIRTLAND** (Austin) Tall shell pink. Three, 15c; doz., 50c; 100, \$2.75.

95 **GIANT NYMPH** (Coleman) La France pink, yellow throat. Three, 25c; doz., 90c; 100, \$5.00.

94 **GOLD** (Decorah) Naphthalene, yellow. Fine. Three, 20c; doz., 60c; 100, \$5.00.

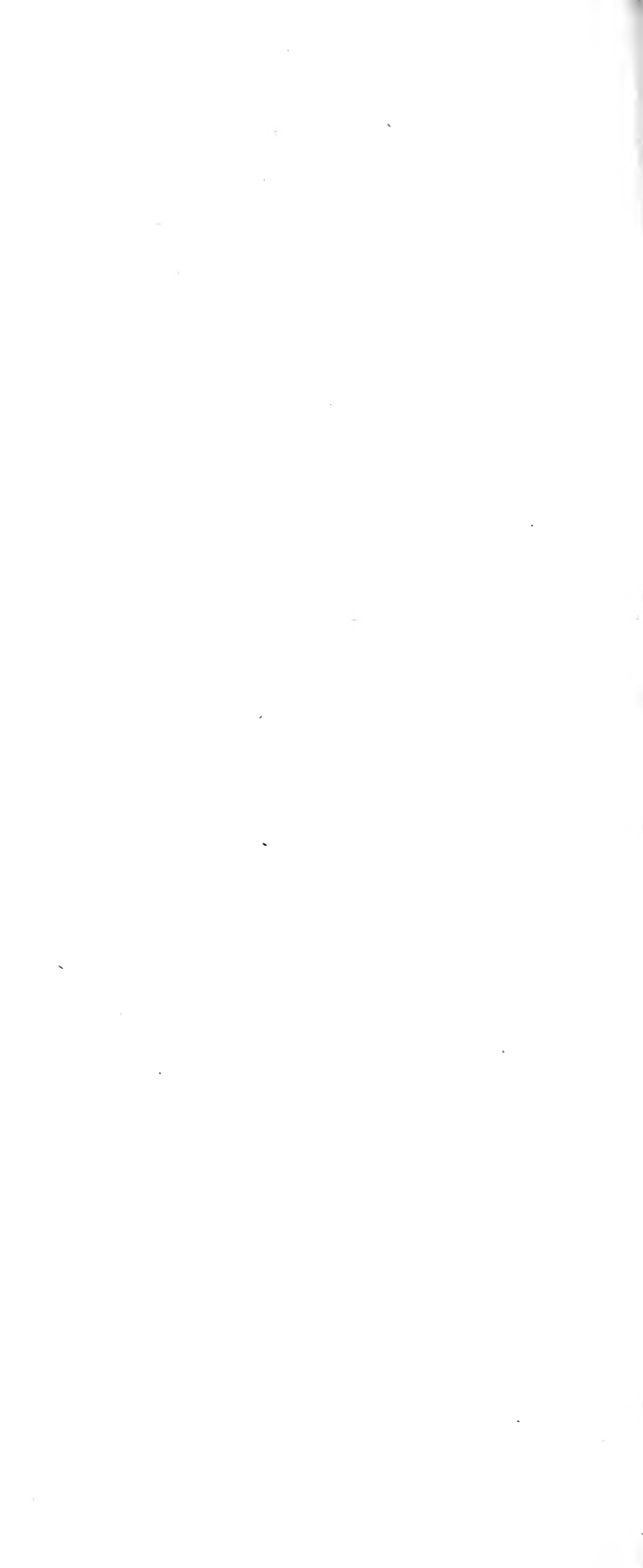
95 **GOLDEN MEASURE** (Kelway) Vigorous yellow. Three, 27c; doz., 90c; 100, \$5.00.

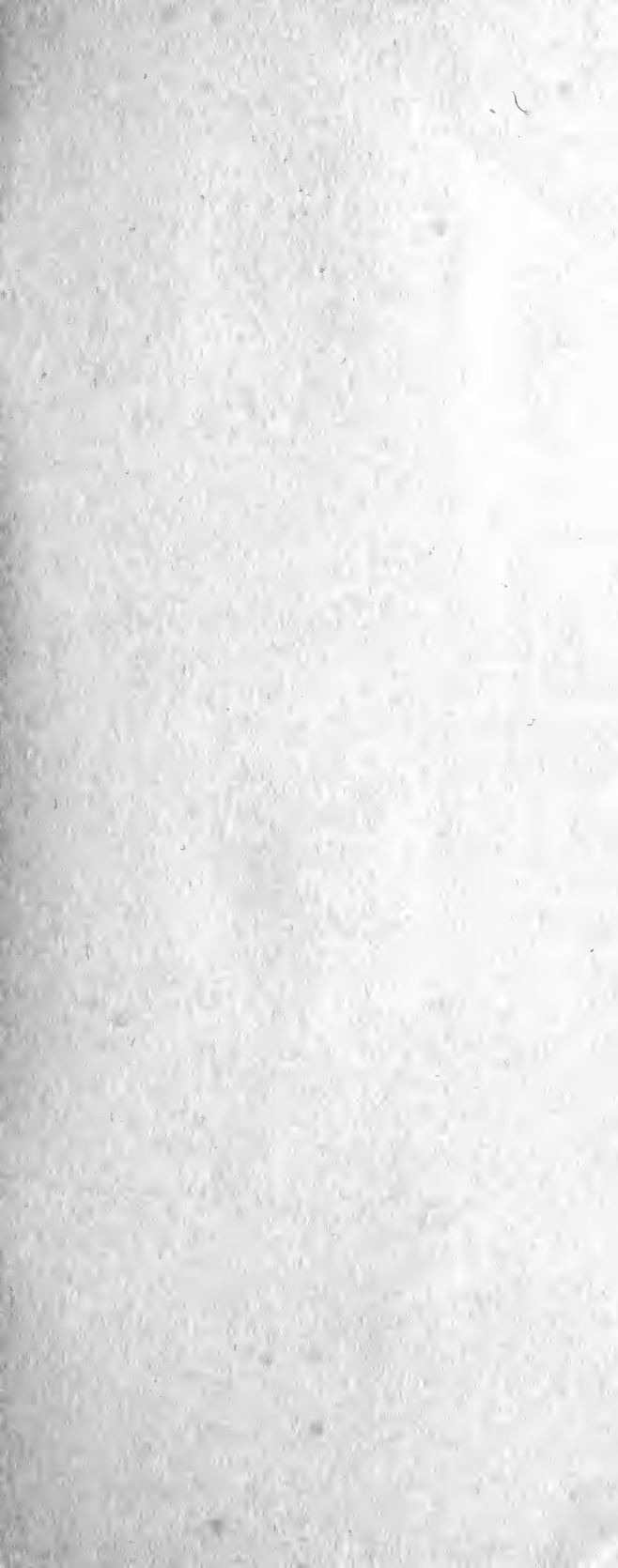
95 **GRETCHEN ZANG** (Austin) Large blooms of soft pink. Three, 15c; doz., 50c.

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- 92 **HALLEY** (Velthuys) Early salmon pink. Three, 12c; doz., 40c; 100, \$2.50.
- 94 **LE MARSHAL FOCH** (Van Deursen) Large light pink. Three, 12c; doz., 40c; 100, \$2.50.
- 91 **LILY WHITE** (Kunderd) Good white. Three, 15c; doz., 50c; 100, \$2.50.
- 91 **L'IMMACULAE** Good white. Three, 12c; doz., 40c.
- 93 **LONGFELLOW** (Decorah) Clear La France pink. Fine. Three, 75c; doz., \$2.50.
- 96 **LOS ANGELES** (Houdyshell) Salmon pink. The cut and come again variety. Six spikes to many bulbs. Bloomed this year from July 9th until October 1st. Finest commercial and landscape variety yet introduced. Three, 24c; doz., 75c; 100, \$6.00.
- LUCETTE** (Bill) Fine white with phlox pink markings. Three, 20c; doz., 65c; 100, \$3.00.
- 95 **LOUISE** (Wright) Clear lavender. Very good. Three, 24c; doz., 75c.
- 95 **MAIDEN'S BLUSH** (Grullemans) Flesh pink prim. Three, 15c; doz., 50c; 100, \$2.50.
- 96 **MARSHAL FOCH** (Kunderd) La France to geranium pink. Three, 30c; doz., \$1.00.
- 98 **MILADY** (Bill) Tall ruffled creamy white. Three, 30c; doz., \$1.00.
- 94 **MING TOY** (Kunderd) Giant flowered apricot prim. Three, 20c; doz., 70c; 100, \$4.00.
- 92 **MRS. DR. NORTON** (Kunderd) Creamy white and pink. Three, 18c; doz., 60c
- 96 **MRS. F. C. PETERS** (Fischer) Amaranth pink and purple. Three, 21c; doz., 70c.
- 89 **MRS. FRANCIS KING** (Kunderd) Brilliant flame pink. Three, 12c; doz., 40c.
- 94 **MRS. FRANK PENDLETON** (Kunderd) Rose, crimson blotch. Three, 19c; doz., 60c; 100, \$2.50.
- MRS. LEON DOUGLAS** (Diener) Begonia rose and scarlet. Three, 30c; doz., \$1.00.
- 95 **MURIEL** (Pfitzer) True lilac shaded darker at tips. Three, 30c; doz., \$1.00.
- NIAGARA** Cream and canary yellow. Good strain. Three, 15c; doz., 50c.
- 97 **OPALESCENT** (Bill) Large pale lavender. Fine. Three, 25c; doz., 75c; 100, \$5.00.
- 96 **PARADER** (Bill) Begonia rose flaked scarlet. Fine. Three, 30c; doz., \$1.00.
- PEACE** (Cowee) Tall late white. Very good. Three, 20c; doz., 75c.
- PINK WONDER** (Kemp) Large rose pink. Three, 27c; doz., 90c.
- 98 **PRIORITY** (Bill) Long spikes of Venetian pink. Fine. Three, 45c; doz., \$1.50.

- 96 **PURPLE GLORY** (Kunderd) Ruffled purplish maroon. Three, 30c; doz., \$1.00.
- 97 **ROSE ASH** (Metzner) Ashes of roses color. Fine. Three, 18c; doz., 60c.
- ROSEMARY** (Bales) Fine lavender prim. Each, 15c; doz., \$1.50.
- 96 **SCARLET PRINCEPS** (Kunderd) Intense bright scarlet. Known in California as Virginia. Three, 20c; doz., 70c; 100, \$3.00.
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- TOPAZ**. Pink and buff prim. Earliest of all. Three, 15c; doz., 50c; 100, \$2.25.
- VAN DER NEER** (Holland) Pale violet. A very rich color. Three, 75c; doz., \$2.50.
- 88 **YELLOW TREASURE** (Austin) Rich yellow prim. Very fine. Three, 30c; doz., \$1.00; 100, \$4.00.
- FINE MIXTURE**. Many of above contained therein. 100, \$2.25.





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